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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10793-10873

Measures Introduced: Two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1581–1582, S. Res. 183–184, and S. Con. Res. 56. Page S10852

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2000". (S. Rept. No. 106–158)

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Measures Passed:

FALN Terrorist Clemency: By 95 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 273), Senate passed S.J. Res. 33, deploring the actions of President Clinton regarding granting clemency to the Armed Forces of National Liberation (the FALN) terrorists, as modified.

Pages S10801, S10804-07, S10809-13, S10815-18

Department of the Interior Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S10793-S10801, S10820, S10828-47

Adopted:

Gorton (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 1628, to make technical corrections to the National Forest-Dependent Rural Communities Economic Diversification Act of 1990.

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Gorton Amendment No. 1629, to make a technical correction to a U.S. Code cite. Page \$10828

Gorton Amendment No. 1630, to provide for the Interstate 90 Land Exchange. Pages \$10828-29

Gorton (for Kyl) Amendment No. 1631, to clarify that a Bureau-funded school may share a campus with a school that offers expanded grades and that is not a Bureau-funded school.

Pages \$10828-29

Gorton (for Reid) Amendment No. 1632, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Nye County, Nevada.

Pages \$10828-30

Gorton (for Reid) Amendment No. 1633, to give the city of Mesquite, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain parcels of public land in the city. Pages S10828, S10830 Gorton (for Lugar) Amendment No. 1634, to provide for certain forest and rangeland renewable resources.

Pages \$10828, \$10830

Gorton (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 1635, to prevent expenditure of funds that may be used to circumvent or contradict existing law and policy regarding the Federal government's energy efficiency programs.

Pages S10828, S10830

Gorton (for Breaux/Landrieu) Amendment No. 1636, to authorize the Fish and Wildlife Service to retain and use fees collected for certain damages caused to national wildlife refuge lands in Louisiana and Texas to assess and mitigate or restore the damaged resources, and monitor and study the recovery of such damaged resources.

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Gorton (for Collins) Modified Amendment No. 1613, expressing the sense of the Senate that the National Park Service should begin planning for the quadricentennial commemoration of the Saint Croix Island International Historic Site.

Pages \$10830-32

Gorton (for Hatch) Modified Amendment No. 1610, to ban the use of public funds for the study of decommissioning the Glen Canyon Dam or the draining of Lake Powell.

Pages \$10830-32

Gorton (for Murkowski) Modified Amendment No. 1601, to assist small exporters of certain animal products.

Pages \$10830-32

Gorton (for Murkowski) Modified Amendment No. 1600, making contingent funding plans.

Pages S10830-32

Gorton (for Campbell) Modified Amendment No. 1595, to require the Forest Service to use appropriated or other funds to improve the control or eradication of pine beetles in the Rocky Mountain region of the United States.

Pages \$10830-32

Byrd (for Bryan/Reid) Modified Amendment No. 1587, to establish the scientific basis for noise standards applied to the Grand Canyon National Park.

Pages S10830-31

Gorton (for Burns/Craig) Modified Amendment No. 1408, to prevent the physical reintroduction of grizzly bears into the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness of Idaho and Montana in FY2000 and to allow for greater public involvement in the project.

Pages S10830-31

Gorton (for Stevens) Amendment No. 1593, to provide for increased funding of certain programs of

the Smithsonian Institution and the Indian Health Service. Pages \$10830-31

Byrd (for Durbin) Amendment No. 1371, to place a requirement on the use of funds for development of a resource management plan and for timber sales in the Shawnee National Forest, Illinois.

Pages S10830-31

Gorton/Levin/DeWine Amendment No. 1637, to provide funds to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Resource Management account for grants under the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Program and for spartina grass research.

Pages S10832-33, S10837

Gorton (for Cochran) Amendment No. 1597, to provide an additional \$4,000,000 for the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Pages S10832-33, S10836

Gorton (for Bennett) Modified Amendment No. 1493, to provide additional funding for the National Endowment for the Arts.

Pages \$10832-35

Gorton (for Lieberman) Modified Amendment No. 1362, to provide funding for the acquisition of the Weir Farm National Historic Site in Connecticut, with an offset.

Pages \$10832-33

Gorton (for Abraham) Modified Amendment No. 1367, to provide funding for facilities maintenance at Isle Royale National Park. Pages \$10832-33

Gorton (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 1638, to increase funding for weatherization assistance grants and state energy conservation grants, with an offset.

Pages S10832-33, S10837

Gorton (for Crapo/Burns) Amendment No. 1639, to set aside funding for development of a habitat conservation plan for cold water fish in the States of Idaho and Montana.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10837

Byrd (for Torricelli) Modified Amendment No. 1573, to provide funding for the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park, with an offset.

Pages S10832-33, S10835

Byrd (for Johnson) Modified Amendment No. 1575, to provide funding for tribally controlled colleges and universities. Pages \$10832-33, \$10835

Gorton (for Shelby) Modified Amendment No. 1578, to make funds available to the Secretary of the Interior to develop a pilot wildlife data system for the State of Alabama.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10835

Byrd (for Inouye) Modified Amendment No. 1582, to provide funding for modifications to the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, with an offset.

Pages S10832-33, S10835

Byrd (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1640, to increase funding for Post Secondary Schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Pages S10832-33, S10837

Byrd (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1641, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary

of the Interior to increase the number of youth employed during the summer to accomplish conservation projects. Pages \$10832-33, \$10837-38

Byrd (for Kohl) Modified Amendment No. 1590, to provide that in return for a quit claim deed to a school building on the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe Indian Reservation, the Secretary shall pay to U.K. Development, LLC the amount of \$375,000 from the funds made available under the construction account of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Pages S10832-33, S10835-36

Byrd (for Edwards) Modified Amendment No. 1592, to provide funds for the Forest Service to acquire lands at Lake Logan, North Carolina.

Pages S10832-33, S10836

Gorton (for Abraham) Amendment No. 1642, to increase funding for payments in lieu of taxes, with offsets.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10838

Gorton (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 1643, to provide funds for the land and water conservation fund stateside program, with offsets.

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Gorton (for Stevens) Amendment No. 1644, to provide for increased funding of certain programs of the Smithsonian Institution and the Indian Health Service, with an offset for the National Park Service.

Pages S10832-33, S10840

Byrd (for Levin) Modified Amendment No. 1606, to provide funding for the acquisition of new properties in Kenweenaw National Historic Park, Michigan, with an offset.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10836

Gorton (for Collins/Snowe) Modified Amendment No. 1612, to make funds available for planning and development of interpretive sites for the quadricentennial commemoration of the Saint Croix Island International Historic Site, with an offset.

Pages S10832-33, S10836-37

Byrd (for Feinstein) Modified Amendment No. 1615, to authorize the Forest Service to reimburse Harry Fray for the cost of his home, \$143,406 (1997 dollars) destroyed by arson on June 21, 1990 in retaliation for his work with the Forest Service.

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Byrd (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1645, to make available funds for grants to municipal governments for cost-shared research projects in buildings, municipal processes, transportation and sustainable urban energy systems.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Byrd Amendment No. 1646, to provide funding for Wheeling National Heritage Area.

Pages S10832-33, S10840

Gorton Amendment No. 1647, to provide funding for an environmental impact statement to be prepared by the Forest Service, as mandated by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Byrd (for Reid) Amendment No. 1648, to provide for a review of possible alternatives to the Weber Dam on the Walker River Paiute Reservation in Nevada.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Gorton (for Stevens) Amendment No. 1649, to provide funds for timber pipeline supply on the Tongass National Forest. Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Gorton (for Lott) Amendment No. 1650, to set aside funding for a feasibility study on the preservation of certain Civil War battlefields along the Vicksburg Campaign Trail. Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Gorton (for Grams/Wellstone) Amendment No. 1651, to provide for the conveyance of the Twin Cities Research Center. Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Byrd (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 1652, to provide for the Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge land acquisition.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Gorton (for Bond) Amendment No. 1653, to make funds available for the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Byrd (for Hollings) Amendment No. 1654, to make funds available for the acquisition of lands at Fort Sumter National Monument.

Pages S10832-33, S10840

Gorton (for Abraham) Amendment No. 1655, to make funds available for the creation of a community development database at the Michigan State University.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Gorton (for Warner) Amendment No. 1656, to make funds available for certain water resources development programs.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840

Byrd (for Torricelli) Modified Amendment No. 1572, to provide funding to carry out the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, with an offset.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10835

Gorton Amendment No. 1657, to provide for certain reductions in budget authority for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

Pages \$10832-33, \$10840-41

Gorton Amendment No. 1359, of a technical nature. Pages \$10832-33, \$10841

Rejected:

Bryan/Wyden Amendment No. 1623 (to Amendment No. 1588), to make available certain funds for survey and manage requirements of the Northwest Forest Plan Record of Decision. (By 54 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Gorton Amendment No. 1359, of a technical nature. Page \$10793

Hutchison Amendment No. 1603, to prohibit the use of funds for the purpose of issuing a notice of rulemaking with respect to the valuation of crude oil for royalty purposes until September 30, 2000.

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Bryan Amendment No. 1588, to make available certain funds, by reducing the subsidy for the below-cost timber program administered by the Forest Service and for the construction of logging roads in national forests, for other Forest Service programs including road maintenance, wildlife and fish habitat management, and for threatened, endangered, and sensitive species habitat management.

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Transportation Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages \$10820-25, \$10827

Adopted:

Shelby Amendment No. 1624, in the nature of a substitute. Page \$10822

Pending:

Wyden Amendment No. 1625, to make available funds for the investigation of unfair or deceptive practices and unfair methods of competition by air carriers, foreign air carriers, and ticket agents involving the failure to disclose information on the overbooking of flights.

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Wyden Amendment No. 1626, to make available funds for the investigation of unfair or deceptive practices and unfair methods of competition by air carriers and foreign air carriers involving denying airline consumers access to information on the lowest fare available.

Pages \$10824-25

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and pending amendments on Wednesday, September 15, 1999, with votes to occur thereon.

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Appointments:

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: The Chair, on behalf of the President protempore, pursuant to Public Law 99–498, reappointed Robert C. Khayat, of Mississippi, to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a term beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2002.

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Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 93–415, as amended by Public Law 102–586, announced the appointment of Charles Sims, of Mississippi, to serve as a member of the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, vice William Keith Oubre.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joshua Gotbaum, of New York, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget.

Joe Kendall, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term ex-

piring October 31, 2001.

Michael O'Neill, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term

expiring October 31, 2003.

John R. Steer, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 31, 1999.

John R. Steer, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term ex-

piring October 31, 2005.

John Hollingsworth Sinclair, of Vermont, to be United States Marshal for the District of Vermont for the term of four years.

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Messages From the House:

Measures Referred:

Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Statements on Introduced Bills: Page \$10852 Additional Cosponsors: Pages \$10852-54

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Authority for Committees: Page \$10070

Additional Statements: Pages \$10870-72

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—273)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, September 15, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10873.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EXERCISE BENEFITS FOR SENIORS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the benefits of exercise for the elderly, after receiving testimony from Terrie Fox Wetle, Deputy Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; James F. Fries, Stanford University School of Medicine, Palo Alto, California; Margaret Richard, PBS–TV, Orchard Park, New York; George McVicker, West Des Moines, Iowa; and Mary Elizabeth Norckauer, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

YOUTH VIOLENCE INITIATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings on a proposed fiscal year 2000 youth violence initiative, after receiving testimony from Alexis M. Herman, Secretary of Labor; Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education; Donna E. Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Eric H. Holder, Jr., Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SOLAR AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on issues concerning solar and renewable energy, focusing on how to assist government and industry in increasing the use of renewable energy technologies in the nation's energy marketplace, after receiving testimony from Dan W. Reicher, assistant Secretary of Energy for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; R. Brent Alderfer, Competitive Utilities Strategies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Uwe Rockenfeller, Rocky Research, Boulder City, Nevada; Greg Renkes, Southeast Alaska Bio-Energy Project, Anchorage; and Dallas Burtraw, Resources for the Future, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Renewable Energy Policy Project.

SINKING OF THE USS INDIANAPOLIS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on issues concerning the sinking of the USS INDIANAPOLIS and the subsequent court-martial of Rear Admiral Charles B. McVay III, USN, and provisions of S. J. Res. 26, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the court-martial conviction of the late Rear Admiral Charles Butler McVay III, and calling upon the President to award a Presidential Unit Citation to the final crew of the U.S.S. INDIANAPOLIS, after receiving testimony from Adm. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Rear Adm. John D. Hutson, USN, Judge Advocate General; William S. Dudley, Director, Naval Historical Center; Hunter Scott, Pensacola, Florida; Paul J. Murphy, Broomfield, Colorado; Harlan M. Twible, Sarasota, Florida; and Dan Kurzman, North Bergen, New Jersey.

ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings on S. 1051, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, after receiving testimony from Robert W. Gee, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Fossil Energy.